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Interim Management Statement

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REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL STATEMENT

This Interim Management Statement will provide interim direction for the management of South Bay Provincial Park until a comprehensive Park Management Plan is prepared.

This statement will provide the basis for the subsequent preparation of the Park Management Plan.

I am pleased to approve this Interim Management Statement for South Bay Provincial Park.

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SOUTH BAY PROVINCIAL PARK
INTERIM MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

I LAND TENURE

On March 27, 1985 the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources received approval to designate the South Bay area on Lake Nipissing as a provincial park. This park contains 1525 ha of Crown land (Figure 1).

There are two land use permits and one licence of occupation within the park. Their present mode of access is over Crown land. There is a provision for exploratory licences of occupation for mining purposes through the policy and procedures of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines.

Guidelines:

All Crown land will be retained in the park. The land use permits and licences of occupation and their traditional access will continue as per the Ministry of Natural Resources policies and procedures.

II EXISTING AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

There are no existing or proposed provincial park facilities. Access to the park is by boat and a bush trail.

Guidelines:

There is no intent to develop this area in the foreseeable future. The boundaries of the park will be identified through appropriate means (eg. cleared boundary, signs) as funds and priorities permit.

III RECREATION ACTIVITIES

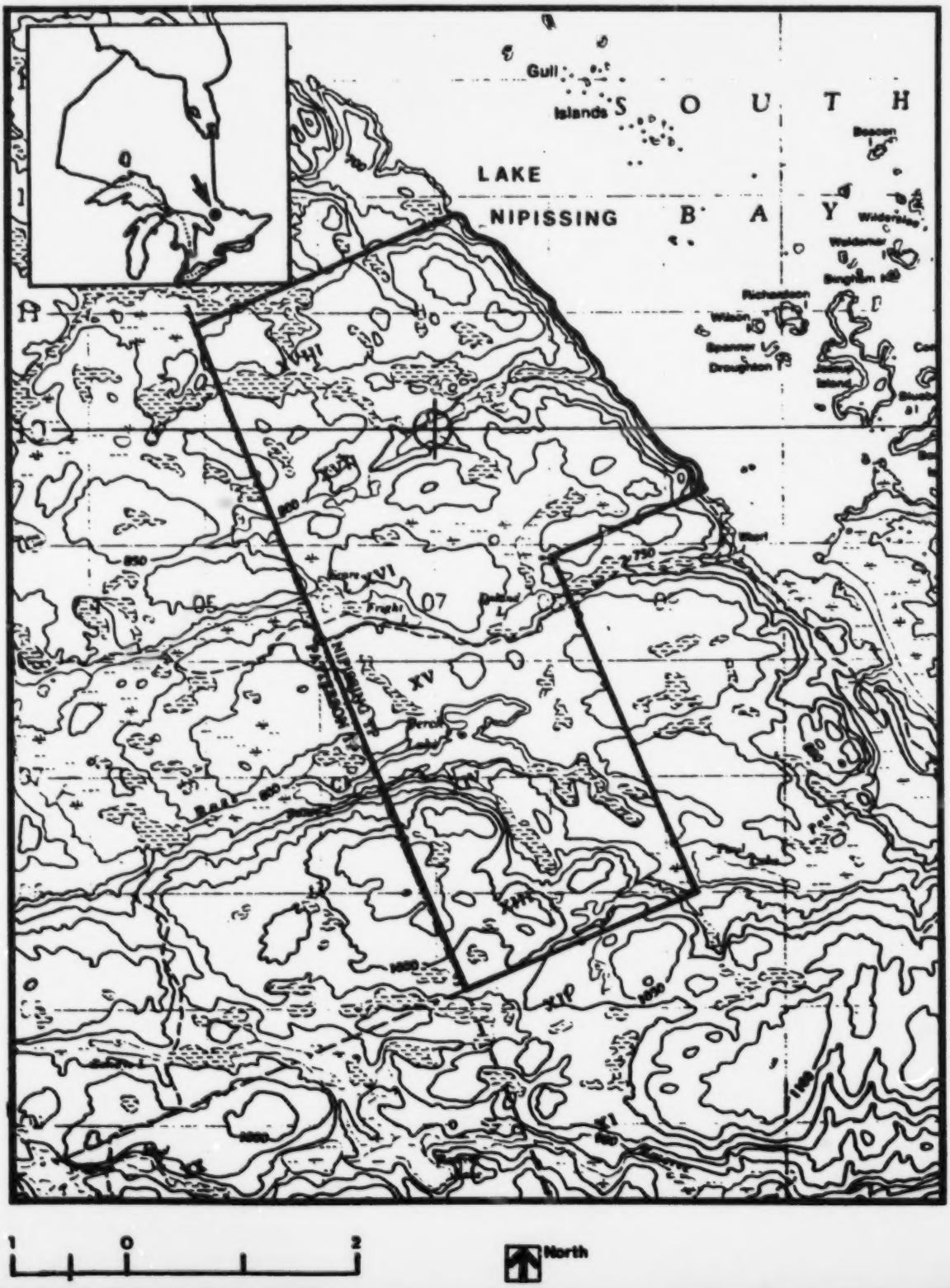
A variety of recreation activities occur in the park including: boating, canoeing, hiking, backcountry camping, wildlife viewing, sport hunting, sportfishing, and snowmobiling.

Guidelines:

Existing recreational uses will continue as long as park values are not affected. The District will monitor the levels of recreational uses. Regulations governing recreational uses will apply (eg. Provincial Parks Act, Public Lands Act, Game and Fish Act, etc.).

Figure 1

SOUTH BAY
PROVINCIAL PARK



IV COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES

The present activity includes part of two traplines and two bait fish licences. Exploratory licences of occupation can be designated by the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines.

Guidelines:

The existing commercial trapline and bait fish licences will be allowed to continue until their current holder no longer requires them. They are not transferrable and that portion covering the park will be phased out when the present holder ceases to use them. There will be no commercial forestry or aggregate extraction within the park. Commercial tourism operations in the area will satisfy the needs of park visitors (eg. outfitting services).

Applications for exploratory licences of occupation (ELO) can be submitted to the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines for mineral exploration purposes. These will be reviewed according to the policies and guidelines for ELO's.

V NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

There have been no natural and cultural resource assessments of the park.

Guidelines:

The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources will encourage natural and cultural resource studies and inventories through the Provincial Parks Research Policy and Guidelines (see Research Section). Forest protection (eg. fire and insect infestation management) of the area will continue through district management efforts.

VI VISITOR SERVICES

Information is provided to the public through a fact sheet, which can be obtained at the North Bay District Office, the Northeastern Region, or the Main Office in Toronto.

Guidelines:

The fact sheet will be provided to the public upon request.

VII RESEARCH

Research by government agencies, universities, other institutions, or individuals can be permitted through the policy for research in provincial parks.

Guidelines:

Applications for research are available from North Bay District and can be submitted for approval subject to the District Manager's review.

VIII MARKETING

There are no developed facilities in the park and as such South Bay Provincial Park will not be promoted in the provincial park marketing program.

SELECTED REFERENCES

Macdonald, I. D., South Bay Park Reserve Life Science Check Sheet, 1979.

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